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RELATS, et al.

Examiner: Unknown

Application Number: 10/589,486

Confirmation No. 8249

Filed: August 15, 2006

For: **PROTECTIVE TUBE**

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

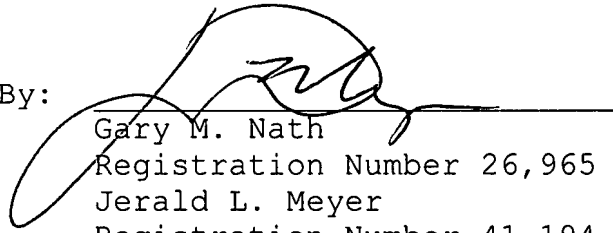
- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Status Request

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The above-identified patent application was filed on August 15, 2006 and no communication has been received indicating action on the merits since that time.

The undersigned attorney requests that status of the application and of the estimated date when a first Office Action on the merits may be mailed.

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